REQUEST FOR BIDS

BID NUMBER: 2018 09

THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY INVITES YOUR COMPANY TO SUBMIT A BID ON ITEM (S) AS LISTED IN THIS BID REQUEST. IT IS THE INTENT OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY TO RECEIVE BIDS THAT WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AT 2:00 P.M. JUNE 26, 2018 FOR THE FOLLOWING:

ITEM A – ALUMINUM SULFATE

SEALED BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED UNTIL 2:00 P.M., JUNE 26, 2018, BY THE PURCHASING AND STORES MANAGER, EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY, 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA 32514. THE BIDS RECEIVED WILL THEN BE PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ. THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO WAIVE INFORMALITIES IN ANY BID; REJECT ANY OR ALL PROPOSALS, IN WHOLE OR IN PART; RE-BID A PROJECT, IN WHOLE OR IN PART; AND TO ACCEPT A PROPOSAL THAT IN ITS JUDGMENT IS THE LOWEST AND BEST BID OF A RESPONSIBLE BIDDER. IN ACCEPTING A BID, ECUA MAY AWARD A CONTRACT BASED ONLY ON THE BASE BID, THE BASE BID PLUS ALL ALTERNATES, OR THE BASE BID PLUS ANY ALTERNATES WHICH ECUA SELECTS – WITH ALL DECISIONS BEING MADE BASED UPON WHAT ECUA BELIEVES TO BE THE BEST INTERESTS OF ITS RATEPAYERS, IN THE REASONABLE EXERCISE OF ITS DISCRETION. ECUA FURTHER RESERVES THE RIGHT TO INCREASE OR DECREASE QUANTITIES AS MAY BE REQUIRED TO MEET THE NEEDS OF ECUA, AT THE UNIT PRICE WHICH WAS BID.

LEGAL ADVERTISEMENT

Sealed bids for Bid Number 2018 09, Aluminum Sulfate, will be received by the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Purchasing and Stores Manager, 9255 Sturdevant Street, Ellyson Industrial Park, Pensacola, FL 32514, until 2:00 p.m., June 26, 2018, at which time bids submitted will be publicly opened and read. Specifications and information may be obtained free of charge from ECUA, Purchasing and Stores Manager (850-969-3350), or via email at amy.williamson@ecua.fl.gov, or on the web at www.ecua.fl.gov. Proposals received after 2:00 p.m. (local time), June 26, 2018, will be returned unopened. ECUA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals and re-advertise.

Proposed Advertising Date: May 24, 2018

Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Purchasing and Stores Division 9255 Sturdevant Street Pensacola, Florida 32514-7038 850-969-3350

STATEMENT OF NO BID

If you **do not** intend to bid on this commodity/service, please return this form to the above address immediately. If this statement is not completed and returned, your company may be deleted from the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority Vendors' list for this commodity/service.

We the undersigned, have declined to bid on requested commodity/service Bid Number 2018-09, Aluminum Sulfate for the following reasons: Specifications too "tight," i.e. geared toward one brand or manufacturer only (explain below). Insufficient time to respond to the Invitation to Bid. We do not offer this product or service. Our schedule would not permit us to perform. _____ Unable to meet bond/insurance requirements. Specifications are unclear (explain below). Remove us from your vendors' list for this commodity/service. Other (specify below). **Remarks:** Company Name: Signature: Telephone: Date: _____

NOTE: Statement of No Bid may be faxed to Amy Williamson at (850-969-3384) or emailed to amy.williamson@ecua.fl.gov

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

ALL THESE TERMS AND CONDITIONS ARE A PART OF THIS BID REQUEST.

1. BID SCHEDULE:

BIDS ARE PRESENTLY SCHEDULED TO BE PUBLICLY OPENED AND READ AT 2:00 P.M., JUNE 26, 2018, IN THE ECUA PURCHASING SECTION, 2ND FLOOR, EMERGENCY OPERATIONS SUPPORT ADDITION, 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FL 32514. ECUA STAFF WILL REVIEW ALL BIDS AND FORWARD THEIR RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE SCHEDULED TO MEET AT 2:00 P.M., JULY 18, 2018, IN THE ECUA BOARD ROOM, 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, PENSACOLA, FL 32514, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK. THE ECUA CITIZENS' ADVISORY COMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION WILL BE PRESENTED TO THE ECUA BOARD AT THEIR MEETING SCHEDULED FOR 2:00 P.M., JULY 26, 2018, IN THE ECUA BOARD ROOM.

2. BID SUBMISSION:

ALL BIDS TO BE CONSIDERED MUST BE IN THE POSSESSION OF THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY PURCHASING AND STORES MANAGER. *ONE ORIGINAL AND 4 COPIES* OF THE BIDS MAY BE MAILED OR DELIVERED TO HIS OFFICE AT 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA, 32514, IN A SEALED ENVELOPE <u>CLEARLY MARKED WITH THE TIME AND DATE OF THE OPENING</u>. REGARDLESS OF THE METHOD OF DELIVERY, EACH BIDDER SHALL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR HIS BID(S) BEING DELIVERED ON TIME, AS THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY ASSUMES NO RESPONSIBILITY FOR SAME. PROPOSALS OFFERED OR RECEIVED AFTER THE TIME SET FOR THE BID OPENING WILL BE REJECTED AND RETURNED UNOPENED TO THE BIDDER.

3. CONVICTION OF PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME

A PERSON OR AFFILIATE WHO HAS BEEN PLACED ON THE CONVICTED VENDOR LIST FOLLOWING A CONVICTION FOR A PUBLIC ENTITY CRIME MAY NOT SUBMIT A BID ON A CONTRACT TO PROVIDE ANY GOODS OR SERVICES TO A PUBLIC ENTITY, MAY NOT SUBMIT A BID ON A CONTRACT WITH A PUBLIC ENTITY FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OR REPAIR OF A PUBLIC BUILDING OR PUBLIC WORK, MAY NOT SUBMIT BIDS ON LEASES OF REAL PROPERTY TO A PUBLIC ENTITY, MAY NOT BE AWARDED OR PERFORM WORK AS A CONTRACTOR, SUPPLIER, SUBCONTRACTOR, OR CONSULTANT UNDER A CONTRACT WITH ANY PUBLIC ENTITY, AND MAY NOT TRANSACT BUSINESS WITH ANY PUBLIC ENTITY IN EXCESS OF THE THRESHOLD AMOUNT PROVIDED IN SECTION 287.017, FOR CATEGORY TWO (\$35,000) FOR A PERIOD OF 36 MONTHS FROM THE DATE OF BEING PLACED ON THE CONVICTED VENDOR LIST.

4. BID WITHDRAWAL:

NO BID MAY BE WITHDRAWN FOR A PERIOD OF NINETY (90) DAYS FROM THE BID OPENING. PRICES MAY NOT BE MODIFIED DURING THIS PERIOD. PROPOSALS MAY BE WITHDRAWN AT ANY TIME PRIOR TO THE BID OPENING TIME.

5. BID AUTHORIZATION:

ALL BIDS MUST BE SUBMITTED ON THE FORM PROVIDED BY THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY AND MUST BE SIGNED BY AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THE COMPANY PLACING THE BID. ONE COMPLETE SET OF BID FORMS WILL BE FURNISHED EACH COMPANY INTERESTED IN BIDDING.

6. BID ERRORS:

A BIDDER MAY NOT MODIFY ITS BID AFTER BID OPENING. ERRORS IN THE EXTENSION OF UNIT PRICES STATED IN A BID OR IN MULTIPLICATION, DIVISION, ADDITION, OR SUBTRACTION IN A BID MAY BE CORRECTED BY THE PURCHASING AND STORES MANAGER PRIOR TO AWARD. IN SUCH CASES, UNIT PRICES SHALL NOT BE CHANGED.

7. AWARD OF BID:

ECUA RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ESTABLISH PRIORITIES AND TO AWARD THE CONTRACT TO A SINGLE BIDDER BASED UPON THE TOTAL BID OR TO MULTIPLE VENDORS BASED UPON THE ITEMS INDIVIDUALLY BID. ECUA ALSO RESERVES THE RIGHT TO SELECTIVELY PURCHASE ANY SINGLE OR ANY MULTIPLE ITEMS FROM THIS BID.

8. TAXES:

DO NOT INCLUDE ANY TAX WITH YOUR BID. THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY IS EXEMPT FROM FEDERAL, STATE AND LOCAL TAXES. TAX EXEMPT NUMBER 85-8012640152C-4 APPLIES.

9. TERMS:

MINIMUM TERMS WILL BE NET 30 (30 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF MATERIAL/SERVICE) UNLESS A DISCOUNT IS INVOLVED. TERMS OFFERING A DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT WILL ONLY BE CONSIDERED IN DETERMINING THE LOW BID IF THE DISCOUNT PERIOD IS 15 DAYS OR GREATER (15 DAYS AFTER RECEIPT OF MATERIAL/SERVICE OR INVOICE, WHICHEVER IS GREATER).

10. BID TABULATIONS:

BID TABULATIONS WILL BE POSTED FOR REVIEW IN THE PURCHASE SECTION, 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, ELLYSON INDUSTRIAL PARK ON OR ABOUT JUNE 26, 2018, AND WILL REMAIN POSTED FOR 72 HOURS EXCLUDING WEEKENDS AND HOLIDAYS.

11. BID QUESTIONS:

IF ANY BIDDER HAS A QUESTION CONCERNING THE BID SPECIFICATIONS OR BID PROCEDURES, PLEASE FORWARD THE INQUIRY TO THE PURCHASING AND STORES MANAGER BEFORE JUNE 18, 2018 FOR CONSIDERATION.

EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY ATTN: PURCHASING AND STORES MANAGER 9255 STURDEVANT STREET PENSACOLA, FLORIDA 32514-7038 PHONE: 850-969-6531, Amy Williamson

FAX: 850-969-3384

EMAIL: amy.williamson@ecua.fl.gov

12. COMPLIANCE WITH SPECIFICATIONS:

IN ORDER TO DETERMINE THAT YOUR BID COMPLIES WITH BID SPECIFICATIONS, PRODUCT LITERATURE AND/OR DATA/INFORMATION SHOULD BE INCLUDED WITH THE BID PROPOSAL. ANY DEVIATIONS FROM THE BID SPECIFICATIONS SHOULD BE IDENTIFIED SEPARATELY.

13. UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE:

THE UNIFORM COMMERCIAL CODE (FLORIDA STATUTES, CHAPTER 672) SHALL PREVAIL AS THE BASIS FOR CONTRACTUAL OBLIGATIONS BETWEEN THE AWARDED VENDOR/CONTRACTOR AND EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY FOR ANY TERMS AND CONDITIONS NOT SPECIFICALLY STATED IN THIS INVITATION FOR BID.

14. EXECUTION OF CONTRACT:

ANY ACTION OF ECUA IN AWARDING THE PURCHASE OF ANY MATERIAL OR PERFORMANCE OF A SERVICE IS SUBJECT TO AND CONDITIONED UPON THE EXECUTION OF A WRITTEN PURCHASE CONTRACT AND/OR A PURCHASE ORDER BETWEEN ECUA AND THE VENDOR.

15. CONTRACTUAL AGREEMENT:

THIS INVITATION FOR BID SHALL BE INCLUDED AND INCORPORATED IN THE FINAL CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER. THE ORDER OF CONTRACT PRECEDENCE WILL BE THE CONTRACT (PURCHASE ORDER), BID DOCUMENT AND RESPONSE. ANY AND ALL LEGAL ACTION NECESSARY TO ENFORCE THE CONTRACT WILL BE HELD IN ESCAMBIA COUNTY AND THE CONTRACT WILL BE INTERPRETED ACCORDING TO THE LAWS OF FLORIDA.

16. PROTESTS:

ANY PERSON WHOSE SUBSTANTIAL INTERESTS ARE DIRECTLY AND ADVERSELY AFFECTED BY THE AWARD OR INTENDED AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT OR BY PLANS OR SPECIFICATIONS CONTAINED IN AN INVITATION TO BID OR REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS MAY FILE A PROTEST IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING RULES AND SECTION 12 OF THE ECUA ACT (CHAPTER 2001-324, LAWS OF FLORIDA AS AMENDED).

NOTICE OF PROTEST OF PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS OR OTHER REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED IN AN INVITATION TO BID OR IN A REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS SHALL BE FILED NOT LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. OF THE THIRD BUSINESS DAY FOLLOWING RECEIPT OF THE PLANS OR SPECIFICATIONS. NOTICE OF PROTEST OF THE REJECTION OF A BID OR PROPOSAL AS NON-RESPONSIVE SHALL BE FILED NOT LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. OF THE THIRD BUSINESS DAY FOLLOWING NOTICE TO THE BIDDER OF THE REJECTION. NOTICE OF PROTEST OF THE AWARD OR INTENDED AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT TO THE LOWEST BIDDER SHOWN ON A POSTED BID TABULATION SHALL BE FILED NOT LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. OF THE THIRD BUSINESS DAY FOLLOWING THE POSTING OF THE BID TABULATION. NOTICE OF PROTEST OF THE AWARD OR INTENDED AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT TO A BIDDER OTHER THAN THE LOWEST BIDDER SHOWN ON A POSTED BID TABULATION SHALL BE FILED NOT LATER THAN 5:00 P.M. OF THE THIRD BUSINESS DAY FOLLOWING NOTICE OF THE AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT.

A NOTICE OF PROTEST SHALL BE IN WRITING AND SHALL STATE THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THE PROTEST.

A FORMAL WRITTEN PROTEST SHALL BE FILED WITHIN SEVEN (7) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE FILING OF NOTICE OF PROTEST. A FORMAL WRITTEN PROTEST SHALL STATE WITH PARTICULARITY THE FACTS AND THE LAW ON WHICH THE PROTEST IS BASED.

NOTICE OF PROTEST AND FORMAL WRITTEN PROTEST OF PLANS OR SPECIFICATIONS FOR OR THE AWARD OR INTENDED AWARD OF A CONTRACT SHALL BE FILED WITH THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE.

FAILURE TO FILE A NOTICE OF PROTEST OR FAILURE TO FILE A FORMAL WRITTEN PROTEST WITHIN THE TIMES PERMITTED SHALL CONSTITUTE A WAIVER OF PROCEEDINGS UNDER THESE RULES AND UNDER SECTION 12 OF CHAPTER 2001-324, LAWS OF FLORIDA, AS AMENDED.

UPON RECEIPT OF A NOTICE OF PROTEST WHICH HAS BEEN TIMELY FILED, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL STOP THE BID SOLICITATION OR PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT AWARD PROCESS UNTIL THE PROTEST HAS BEEN RESOLVED. HOWEVER, THE BID SOLICITATION OR PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT AWARD PROCESS MAY PROCEED WHEN THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR DETERMINES THAT DELAY WOULD BE DETRIMENTAL TO THE INTERESTS OF ECUA. ANY AWARD OF A PURCHASE ORDER OR CONTRACT UNDER SUCH CONDITIONS SHALL BE SUBJECT TO THE OUTCOME OF THE PROTEST. AFTER THE AWARD OF A CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER RESULTING FROM A BID IN WHICH A TIMELY PROTEST WAS RECEIVED AND IN WHICH ECUA DID NOT PREVAIL, ECUA MAY TAKE SUCH ACTION AS IT CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE, WHICH MAY INCLUDE, BUT SHALL NOT BE LIMITED TO, AWARD OF THE CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER TO THE PREVAILING PARTY, CANCELLATION OF THE CONTRACT OR PURCHASE ORDER, OR REBIDDING.

THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR SHALL PROVIDE REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO RESOLVE A PROTEST BY AGREEMENT. IF AGREEMENT IS NOT REACHED WITHIN SUCH TIME AS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE CONSIDERS REASONABLE UNDER THE CIRCUMSTANCES, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE SHALL REVIEW THE FACTS AND THE LAW ON WHICH THE PROTEST IS BASED, AND SHALL RENDER A DECISION WHICH SHALL BE IN WRITING AND SHALL BE PROMPTLY TRANSMITTED TO THE PROTESTOR.

IF THE PROTESTOR WISHES TO CONTINUE THE PROTEST BEYOND THE DECISION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE, THE PROTESTOR SHALL BE REQUIRED TO FILE A PETITION FOR REVIEW BY THE ECUA BOARD. THIS PETITION SHALL BE MADE IN WRITING AND PRESENTED TO THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR WITHIN TEN (10) DAYS AFTER NOTICE OF THE DECISION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE: OTHERWISE, THE DECISION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE SHALL BE FINAL AND BINDING. SUCH PETITION SHALL STATE THE PARTICULAR GROUNDS ON WHICH IT IS BASED AND MAY INCLUDE PERTINENT DOCUMENTS AND EVIDENCE RELATING THERETO. ANY GROUNDS NOT STATED SHALL BE DEEMED TO HAVE BEEN WAIVED BY THE PROTESTOR. THIS PETITION MUST ALSO BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PROTEST BOND OF AN AMOUNT EQUAL TO 1.0 PERCENT (1%) OF THE VALUE OF THE SOLICITATION, BUT IN NO CASE LESS THAN \$1,000 NOR GREATER THAN \$10,000.00. THIS BOND SHALL BE IN THE FORM OF A MONEY ORDER, CERTIFIED CASHIER'S CHECK, OR CERTIFIED BANK CHECK MADE PAYABLE TO THE EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY. FAILURE TO POST SUCH BOND WITHIN TEN (10) BUSINESS DAYS AFTER THE DECISION OF THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OR HIS OR HER DESIGNEE SHALL RESULT IN THE PROTEST BEING DISMISSED BY THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR.

THE BOND REQUIRED BY THE ABOVE PARAGRAPH SHALL BE CONDITIONED UPON THE PAYMENT OF ALL COSTS AND CHARGES WHICH MAY BE ADJUDGED AGAINST THE PERSON FILING THE PETITION FOR REVIEW. IF THE PROTESTOR PREVAILS, THE BOND SHALL BE RETURNED TO THE PROTESTOR. IF HOWEVER, ECUA PREVAILS, THE BOND SHALL BE FORFEITED, AND ECUA SHALL BE ENTITLED TO RECOVER THE COSTS AND CHARGES, EXCLUDING ATTORNEY'S FEES, OF SUCH HEARING. THE ENTIRE AMOUNT OF THE BOND ALSO SHALL BE FORFEITED IF IT IS DETERMINED THAT A PROTEST WAS FILED FOR A FRIVOLOUS OR IMPROPER PURPOSE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO, THE PURPOSE OF HARASSING, CAUSING UNNECESSARY DELAY, OR CAUSING NEEDLESS COST FOR ECUA OR ANOTHER INTERESTED PARTY/PARTIES.

ANY NOTICE REQUIRED OR PERMITTED UNDER THIS BID PROTEST PROCEDURE SHALL BE EFFECTIVE WHEN DELIVERED PERSONALLY, OR BY FACSIMILE, OR WHEN DEPOSITED IN THE U.S. MAIL. IF NOTICE IS GIVEN ONLY BY MAIL, THREE (3) DAYS SHALL BE ADDED TO THE TIME WITHIN WHICH A PROTESTOR MAY FILE A NOTICE OF PROTEST OR PETITION FOR REVIEW.

17. CONTRACTS EXCEEDING ONE YEAR:

WHEN APPLICABLE, A CONTRACT MAY BE RENEWED CONTINGENT UPON COST FACTORS, MUTUAL AGREEMENT, SATISFACTORY PERFORMANCE EVALUATIONS, AVAILABILITY OF FUNDS AND ECUA BOARD APPROVAL. ECUA'S PERFORMANCE AND OBLIGATION TO PAY FOR THE PURCHASE OF SERVICES OR TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY OF A PERIOD IN EXCESS OF ONE (1) FISCAL YEAR UNDER ANY CONTRACTUAL RELATIONSHIP IS CONTINGENT UPON AN ANNUAL BUDGET APPROVAL BY THE ECUA BOARD.

18. CONDUCT OF PARTICIPANTS:

AFTER THE ISSUANCE OF ANY SOLICITATION, ALL BIDDERS/PROPOSERS/ PROTESTORS OR INDIVIDUALS ACTING ON THEIR BEHALF ARE HEREBY PROHIBITED FROM LOBBYING AS DEFINED HEREIN OR OTHERWISE ATTEMPTING TO PERSUADE OR INFLUENCE ANY ELECTED ECUA OFFICIALS, THEIR AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES OR ANY MEMBER OF THE RELEVANT SELECTION COMMITTEE AT ANY TIME DURING THE BLACKOUT PERIOD AS DEFINED HEREIN; PROVIDED, **PROHIBIT** HOWEVER. NOTHING HEREIN SHALL BIDDERS/PROPOSERS/ **INDIVIDUALS ACTING PROTESTORS** OR ON **THEIR BEHALF** COMMUNICATING WITH THE PURCHASING STAFF CONCERNING A PENDING SOLICITATION UNLESS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THE SOLICITATION OR UNLESS OTHERWISE DIRECTED BY THE PURCHASING MANAGER.

LOBBYING MEANS THE ATTEMPT TO INFLUENCE THE THINKING OF ELECTED ECUA OFFICIALS, THEIR AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES OR ANY MEMBER OF THE RELEVANT SELECTION COMMITTEE FOR OR AGAINST A SPECIFIC CAUSE RELATED TO A PENDING SOLICITATION FOR GOODS OR SERVICES, IN PERSON, BY MAIL, BY FACSIMILE, BY TELEPHONE, BY ELECTRONIC MAIL, OR BY ANY OTHER MEANS OF COMMUNICATION.

19. BLACKOUT PERIOD:

BLACKOUT PERIOD MEANS THE **PERIOD** BETWEEN THE TIME THE BIDS/PROPOSALS FOR INVITATION TO BID OR THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL, OR QUALIFICATIONS, OR INFORMATION, OR REQUESTS FOR LETTERS OF INTEREST, OR THE INVITATION TO NEGOTIATE, AS APPLICABLE, ARE ADVERTISED AND THE TIME THE ECUA BOARD AWARDS THE CONTRACT AND ANY RESULTING BID PROTEST IS RESOLVED OR THE SOLICITATION IS OTHERWISE CANCELLED. CONDUCT INCONSISTENT WITH THIS SECTION MAY BE GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFYING THE OFFENDING PROPOSER FROM CONSIDERATION OR ANY FUTURE PROPOSAL.

OTHER PROVISIONS

Contractor is required to comply with public records laws codified in Chapter 119, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, and is specifically required to:

- a. Keep and maintain public records required by ECUA to perform the service.
- b. Upon request from ECUA's custodian of public records, provide ECUA with a copy of the requested records or allow the records to be inspected or copied within a reasonable time at a cost that does not exceed the cost provided in Chapter 119 or as otherwise provided by law.
- c. Ensure that public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements are not disclosed except as authorized by law for the duration of the contract term and following completion of the contract if the Contractor does not transfer the records to ECUA.
- d. Upon completion of the contract, transfer, at no cost, to ECUA all public records in possession of the Contractor or keep and maintain public records required by ECUA to perform the service. If the Contractor transfers all public records to ECUA upon completion of the contract, the Contractor shall destroy any duplicate public records that are exempt or confidential and exempt from public records disclosure requirements. If the Contractor keeps and maintains public records upon completion of the contract, the Contractor shall meet all applicable requirements for retaining public records. All records stored electronically must be provided to ECUA, upon request from ECUA's custodian of public records, in a format that is compatible with the information technology systems of ECUA.

IF THE CONTRACTOR HAS QUESTIONS REGARDING THE APPLICATION OF CHAPTER 119, FLORIDA STATUTES, TO THE CONTRACTOR'S DUTY TO PROVIDE PUBLIC RECORDS RELATING TO THIS CONTRACT, CONTACT ECUA'S CUSTODIAN OF PUBLIC RECORDS AT 850-969-3302, SHARON.HARRELL@ECUA.FL.GOV, AND SHARON HARRELL, 9255 STURDEVANT STREET, PENSACOLA, FLORIDA 32514.

EMERALD COAST UTILITIES AUTHORITY SPECIFICATIONS BID NUMBER: 2018 09

ITEM A- ALUMINUM SULFATE (LIQUID ALUM)

Contract Effective: August 1, 2018 through July 31, 2019 (With two, one-year optional extensions upon mutual agreement of both parties, with no increase in price).

Liquid alum is needed for chemical treatment of wastewater at the Central Water Reclamation Facility, the Bayou Marcus Water Reclamation Facility and the Pensacola Beach WRF.

General Description: Aqueous solution: 48.5% dry AL2 (SO4)3 aluminum sulfate – practically free of insoluble matter. Compositions – 8.3% AL203 aluminum oxide \pm 0.1% the baume' of this solution at 60 degrees F. Being 36.5 degrees \pm 0.5. No free acid. Iron as FE no greater than 50 PPM.

It is anticipated that the Emerald Coast Utilities Authority will require approximately 1700 dry tons of liquid alum in approximately 4500-gallon loads. However, these quantities may vary. The price quoted shall be per ton dry weight based on the foregoing annual usage.

Deliveries will be made to the following locations:

Bayou Marcus WRF – 3050 Fayal Drive, Pensacola, FL 32526, End of Fayal Drive off of Blue Angel Parkway (600 dry tons)

Pensacola Beach WRF – 53 Via De Luna Drive, Pensacola Beach, FL 32561 (100 dry tons)

Central Water Reclamation Facility – 2980 Old Chemstrand Road, Cantonment, FL 32533 (1000 dry tons)

Additional drop sites may be added, if needed.

The supplier shall monitor and maintain alum tank levels and provide a company owned delivery truck and driver with an adequate unloading device and shall meet the following delivery requirements:

The supplier shall provide the hoses and means for filling the storage tank. The price quotation shall include all charges associated with the delivery including transportation, pumping and other charges that might relate to delivery. The delivery vehicle shall be capable of blowing the residual product in the hoses into the tank with low pressure or by pumping. The delivery provider shall provide and wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) during loading/connecting operations. Any spills of product shall be immediately addressed and ECUA staff must be promptly notified and the site neutralized or cleaned by the chemical provider.

Bayou Marcus WRF and the Pensacola Beach WRF will accept deliveries between 7:00 a.m. and 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday, except ECUA recognized holidays. The Bayou Marcus WRF storage tank capacity is 12,000 gallons, and are fitted with a 2" female quick-connect fitting. The Pensacola Beach Wastewater Treatment Plant alum tank capacity consists of 7000 gallon dual tanks with 2" female quick connect fittings. The supplier shall provide the hoses and means for filling the storage tank. The Central Water Reclamation Facility will accept deliveries anytime during the day. The storage tank capacity is 12,000 gallons with a 2" female quick connect fitting. The supplier shall provide the hoses and means for filling the storage tank.

The supplier shall deliver the required amounts within 96 hours of receipt of order. Failure to meet delivery schedules shall be just cause to terminate the contract. If the failure to make a delivery on schedule results in a regulatory violation, the supplier shall be liable for any expense, loss or damage directly associated with the failure to deliver on schedule.

Insurance:

Vendor awarded this contract will supply ECUA with an insurance certificate complying with insurance requirements prior to the start of the contract. (See Risk Management/Insurance Requirements)

Contractors are required to sign in and be met by plant personnel prior to connecting to equipment.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR CHEMICAL PURCHASES AND SPILL CONTAINMENT AND CLEAN-UP METHODS AND PROCEDURES

Chemical vendors/providers will specify the method of delivery, containerization method and unit size of the material, and spill containment and clean-up methods and procedures. Current certifications and licenses for material handling and transportation must be provided. All chemical deliveries must be accompanied by a current MSDS for that chemical.

A review by Risk Management will be conducted of all contractors utilizing chemicals in their work process prior to commencement of work. This review will include any known site conditions and hazards, how the material will be used, the contractors' safety policies and practices (including material containment and clean up procedures), disposition of unused material, and disposition method of any waste material generated.

All contractors/vendors/delivery personnel will conform to all local, state, federal and ECUA safety policies and procedures while on ECUA premises.

FREIGHT: The price quoted should include all freight and delivery charges associated with delivery of the chemical. ECUA will not consider any escalation in price due to increases in expenses related to the manufacturer, storage, transportation and/or delivery (e.g., fuel surcharges, fuel price increases, electrical power cost increases) during the contract period.

TECHNICAL QUESTIONS: Contact Randy Sears, 850-969-6686. For information pertaining to the bid package, call Amy Williamson, 850-969-6531, or email amy.williamson@ecua.fl.gov

RISK MANAGEMENT POLICY AND STANDARDS FOR AGREEMENTS, CONTRACTS AND LEASES

DEFINITIONS

The following definitions apply to these Risk Management Provisions:

Contract - The contract or agreement of which these Risk Management Provisions are a part for the construction, alteration, repair, or demolition of a structure or facility.

Organization - The Emerald Coast Utilities Authority, a local governmental body of the State of Florida, its Board, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, and agents.

Other Party - The other party to the Contract of which these Risk Management Provisions are a part, any subsidiaries or affiliates, officers, employees, volunteers, representatives, agents, contractors, and subcontractors.

HOLD HARMLESS

The Other Party agrees to hold the Organization and the members of its governing board and its other officers and employees harmless against all claims for bodily injury, sickness, disease, death, personal injury, or damage to property or loss of use resulting therefrom, arising out of or related to the Contract, to the extent such claims are caused by the negligence, recklessness, or intentional wrongful misconduct of the Other Party and persons or entities employed or utilized by the Other Party in the performance of the Contract.

PAYMENT ON BEHALF OF ORGANIZATION

The Other Party agrees to pay on behalf of the Organization all claims described in the above "Hold Harmless" paragraph, and to pay the reasonable costs and fees of the attorneys selected by the Organization, at trial and on appeal, to defend the Organization and its officers and employees against such claims. Provided, however, that the total liability of the Other Party to the Organization under the above "Hold Harmless" paragraph and this "Payment on Behalf of Organization" paragraph shall not exceed the sum of One Million Dollars (\$1,000,000) per claim or occurrence.

Such payment on behalf of the Organization shall be in addition to any and all other legal remedies available to the Organization and shall not be considered to the exclusive remedy of the Organization.

LOSS CONTROLS/SAFETY

Precaution shall be exercised at all times by the Other Party for the protection of all persons, including employees, and property. The Other Party shall comply with all laws, regulations, or ordinances relating to safety and health, and shall make special effort to detect hazardous conditions and shall take prompt action where loss control/safety measures should reasonably be expected.

The Organization may order work to be stopped if conditions exist that present immediate danger to persons or property. The Other party acknowledges that such stoppage will not shift responsibility for any loss or damages from the Other Party to the Organization.

SEVERABILITY

The provisions of these Risk Management Provisions are severable. In the event a court of competent jurisdiction should declare any provision of these Risk Management Provisions to be void or contrary to public policy such provision shall be stricken from these Risk Management Provisions, and the remaining provisions shall be enforced as though the provision determined to be void or contrary to public policy had not been included herein.

INSURANCE - BASIC COVERAGES REQUIRED

The Other Party shall procure and maintain the following described insurance, except for coverages specifically waived by the Organization, on policies and with insurers acceptable to the Organization. These insurers shall have A.M. Best (or equivalent) rating of no less than A:VII unless otherwise agreed to by the Organization.

These insurance requirements shall not limit the liability of the Other Party. The Organization does not represent these types or amounts of insurance to be sufficient or adequate to protect the Other Party's interests or liabilities, but are merely minimums.

Except for workers compensation, the Other Party waives its right of recovery against the Organization, to the extent permitted by its insurance policies.

The Other Party's deductibles/self-insured retentions shall be disclosed to the Organization and may be disapproved by the Organization. They shall be reduced or eliminated at the option of the Organization. The Other Party is responsible for the amount of any deductible or self-insured retention.

Insurance required of the Other Party or any other insurance of the Other Party shall be considered primary, and insurance of the Organization, if any, shall be considered excess, as may be applicable to claims which arise out of the Hold Harmless, Payment on Behalf of Organization, Insurance, Certificates of Insurance and any Additional Insurance provisions of this agreement, contract or lease.

Additional Insured

Except for workers compensation and professional liability, the Other Party's insurance policies shall be endorsed to name the Organization as an additional insured for "bodily injury", "property damage" or "personal and advertising injury" caused, in whole or in part, by the Other Party's acts or omissions; or the acts or omissions of those acting on the Other Party's behalf; in the performance of the Other Party's ongoing operations for the Organization. The preferred Commercial General Liability coverage endorsement is ISO Form CG 20 10.

Workers Compensation Coverage

The Other Party shall purchase and maintain workers compensation insurance for all workers compensation obligations imposed by state law and employer's liability limits of at least \$100,000 each accident and \$100,000 each employee/\$500,000 policy limit for disease.

The Other Party shall also purchase any other coverages required by law for the benefit of employees.

General, Automobile and Excess or Umbrella Liability Coverage

The Other Party shall purchase and maintain coverage on forms no more restrictive than the latest editions of the Commercial General Liability and Business Auto policies of the Insurance Services Office.

Minimum limits of \$1,000,000 per occurrence for all liability must be provided, with excess or umbrella insurance making up the difference, if any, between the policy limits of underlying policies (including employers liability required in the Workers Compensation Coverage section) and the total amount of coverage required.

Commercial General Liability Coverage - Occurrence Form Required

Coverage A shall include bodily injury and property damage liability for premises, operations, products and completed operations, independent contractors, contractual liability covering this agreement, contract or lease, broad form property damage, and property damage resulting from explosion, collapse or underground (x,c,u) exposures.

Coverage B shall include personal injury.

Coverage C, medical payments, is not required.

The Other Party is required to continue to purchase products and completed operations coverage, at least to satisfy this agreement, contract or lease, for a minimum of three years beyond the Organization's acceptance of renovation or construction projects.

Business Auto Liability Coverage

Business Auto Liability coverage is to include bodily injury and property damage arising out of ownership, maintenance or use of any auto, including owned, nonowned and hired automobiles and employee nonownership use.

Excess or Umbrella Liability Coverage

Umbrella Liability insurance is preferred, but an Excess Liability equivalent may be allowed. Whichever type of coverage is provided, it should be at least "following form" and shall not be more restrictive than the underlying insurance policy coverages.

EVIDENCE/CERTIFICATES OF INSURANCE

Required insurance shall be documented in Certificates of Insurance, including indication that the policy(s) is endorsed to provide the Organization at least 30 days in advance notice of cancellation, nonrenewal or adverse change.

New Certificates of Insurance are to be provided to the Organization at least 15 days prior to coverage renewals.

If requested by the Organization, the Other Party shall furnish complete copies of the Other Party's insurance policies, forms and endorsements.

For Commercial General Liability coverage the Other Party shall, at the option of the Organization, provide an indication of the amount of claims payments or reserves chargeable to the aggregate amount of liability coverage.

Receipt of certificates or other documentation of insurance or policies or copies of policies by the Organization, or by any of its representatives, which indicate less coverage than required does not constitute a waiver of the Other Party's obligation to fulfill the insurance requirements herein.

ADDITIONAL INSURANCE

If checked below, the Organization requires the following additional types of insurance.

Pollution/Environmental Impairment Liability Coverage

Pollution/environmental impairment liability insurance is to be purchased to cover pollution and/or environmental impairment which may arise from this agreement or contract. The recommended minimum coverage is \$1,000,000. The coverage period shall be extended beyond the date of the completed project, until the expiration date of the performance bond.

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